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Tushino Air Show Rehearsals

1. The sixth rehearsal for the Tushino Air Show took place on 11 June. At least 237 aircraft took part in the rehearsal. No new aircraft were observed.

2. The seventh rehearsal involving more than 300 aircraft occurred on 13 June. A short field take-off was demonstrated by an unidentified fighter which was possibly a modified Farmer. Two Badger aircraft demonstrated an aerial refueling method similar to the method shown on the ground at Kubinka in June 1956. With the possible exception of the short field jet fighter, no new aircraft types were observed.

3. Position of some of the aircraft during the rehearsal indicate that positions are possibly being kept open for new aircraft and demonstrations promised by the Soviets.

4. The unidentified swept-wing aircraft in the fifth rehearsal may have been Tu-110 described as a 100 passenger, four jet engine transport aircraft. An Aero Flot official said the Tu-110 will be seen in the Tushino Air Show. This source stated that the Tu-110 is less fully developed than the Tu-114, a four turbo prop engine transport having 2 decks and carrying 170 passengers. The Tu-114 with reduced load can fly from Moscow to New York non-stop.

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